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THE LEAVEN AT WORK AMONG THE YOUNG.

The following spontaneous effusion of a lad about twelve years old, having accidentally fallen into our hands, we publish as an index to the working of our principles among the rising generation. It does credit alike to the head and the heart of our young friend.

DIALOGUE BETWEEN PEACE AND WAR.

THE MAN OF PEACE IS THE TRUE HERO; FOR HE FOLLOWS CHRIST.

Peace. What kingdom do you establish? Is it Christian?

War. I am favored by Christians, and by ministers of the gospel.

Peace. But is your kingdom in accordance with the spirit of Christ?

War. No one admits it, but still I do not want you to destroy my kingdom.

Peace. It is not in the spirit of Christ, and I am seeking to establish one that is.

War. Where can you get a better kingdom than mine? Do I not protect the world? Are not my subjects the most numerous of all? Have not my favored advocates made the world ring with their mighty deeds?

Peace. Who are those favored advocates?

War. Alexander of Macedon, Julius Cæsar, of ancient times, and Napoleon Bonaparte, of modern times.

Peace. How did they die?

War. Honorably and gloriously.

Peace. Alexander of Macedon died a drunkard; Cæsar was killed in his own palace; and Bonaparte was shut up on the Island of St. Helena, there to die. Is this honor?

War. No: but who are *your* favored advocates?

Peace. Three of the best emperors of ancient Rome gave their testimony in my favor; and William Ladd has been my modern champion. Moreover all my subjects have the promise of the Almighty, that war will one day be done away for ever, and your kingdom be overthrown, while mine will exist to eternity.

“Waft not to me the blast of fame,
That swells the trump of victory;
For to my ear it brings the name
Of slaughter, and of misery.

For, Ah! through glory’s fading blaze,
I see the cottage taper pale,
Which sheds its faint and feeble rays,
Where unprotected orphans wail.”

WARS BETWEEN FRANCE AND ENGLAND.—From A. D. 1110 to 1813, a period of 700 years, the number of wars between these two countries was 24; 260 years of the 700 were employed in butchering one another; from 1161 to 1471, a term of 310 years, 186 were spent in war; from 1368 they were at war 101 in 103 years, having a peace of only two years’ duration!